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GUTIERREZ MENOYO. QUESTIONED BY STATE SECURITY

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(Presumably filmed interrogation of Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo and his group by members of the Cuban State Security Department)

(Text) Appearing before you is the counterrevolutionary ringleader Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo who, as is known, was recently captured, in the company of his three henchmen with whom he landed near Baracoa, by forces of the mountain militia of the 50th division of the eastern army. As the communique of the Revolutionary Armed Forces says, which you have surely read, the four prisoners reached national territory at the end of December and immediately were detected by the peasants who reported them to the revolutionary forces which immediately began an unceasing pursuit which in a short time led to the capture, alive, of the four counterrevolutionaries belonging to the counterrevolutionary forces--the Second National Escambray Front, Alpha 66, and MRP. The counterrevolutionary ringleader and the other captured counterrevolutionaries, will be interrogated by members of the State Security Department. Comrade Blanco has the floor to begin the interrogation.

Q: Menoyo, on what date did you arrive in the United States? A: In December 1960 or January 1961.

Q: What did you do on arriving there? A: On arriving there we were arrested by the American authorities and held in a camp in Texas for four and a half months.

Q: What were you asked? A: We were questioned on the present economic, political, and military information in Cuba at that time.

Q: What information did you give? A: That of which I had knowledge at that time.

Q: When you were released, what did you do? A: At that time my intention was to orient myself first and then maintain myself aloof from all activities for some months.

Q: After that what did you do? A: We began to reorganize the second front organization and to form delegations and collect funds.

Q: How did you obtain economic resources? A: Through the counterrevolutionary Cuban exiles.

Q: What amount of money did you collect? A: Approximately--I do not remember well--but it must have been over 50,000 pesos.

Q: What did you do with that money? A: We used it to buy weapons, vessels, and various equipment.

Q: What type of weapons? A: M-1, Garands, FAL.

Moderator: Comrade Puente.

Q: Menoyo, you said that you had been held for four and a half months by the North American authorities: you were interrogated. They asked you for political, economic, and military information. Did they also make you some propositions? did they make any propositions? (The interrogation continued--ed.) to carry out some action?